DWD/DPK/RMW

4th November 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Compulsory Weekly After-School Triple Science Sessions

As part of our commitment to ensuring that all students studying Triple Science achieve their full potential, we are introducing a compulsory weekly after-school lesson for students in the top set Science group.

These additional sessions are essential to enable students to successfully complete the Triple Science course content. Triple Science covers a significantly greater volume of material than Combined Science and requires students to study Biology, Chemistry and Physics in greater depth. The extra lesson each week will ensure that students are fully prepared for both the demands of the course and the examinations at the end of Year 11.

It is important to note that **attendance at these sessions is compulsory**. The additional teaching time is not an optional intervention but an integral part of delivering the full Triple Science curriculum. Failure to attend regularly could leave students at a disadvantage and may impact their ability to access the highest grades.

Triple Science offers considerable academic benefits. Students who successfully complete the course are awarded **three separate GCSE qualifications** in Biology, Chemistry and Physics, rather than the two GCSEs awarded through Combined Science. This not only allows students to gain an additional GCSE qualification but also demonstrates a strong aptitude for science to colleges, sixth forms and future employers.

For students considering careers in areas such as medicine, veterinary science, dentistry, engineering, pharmacy, environmental science or any STEM-related field, studying Triple Science provides an excellent foundation. The depth of knowledge gained throughout the course helps students make a smoother transition to A Level Sciences and other post-16 science-related qualifications. Many colleges and sixth forms view Triple Science favourably when considering applications for science-based courses.

We appreciate that this commitment requires both students and families to make additional arrangements. However, the benefits of completing the Triple Science course and securing three GCSE qualifications make this a valuable investment in your child's future education and career opportunities.
The additional sessions will take place every **Thursday at 3:00pm-4:00pm in B2.5 commencing from Thursday 12th November.**

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child attends these sessions regularly and makes the most of this excellent opportunity.

Yours faithfully

Miss D Whitehead
Deputy Headteacher